

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 483 - HB 996**

February 24, 2003

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Allows any county commission to provide for a popularly elected Director of Schools. The election shall be held at the regular August election on the same basis and subject to the same qualifications as provided for the election of other county officials. The director shall take office September 1 following the election, shall serve a four year term and shall receive the same compensation provided for general county officers. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as vacancies in other county offices.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant/Permissive**

Estimate assumes:

- The power of the county commission to establish the elected office of Director of Schools is a local choice; therefore, any expense associated with the establishment of the elected office is permissive.
- The cost to add this one item to the election ballot every four years and to conduct a search for qualified candidates would depend on how many systems chose to elect the director of schools and in which counties the choice is made. Any increase in local government expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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